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October 19, 2012

Captain Pete M. Dawson
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Dear Captain Dawson:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 10 has reviewed the Third Five Year Review report for the Bremerton Naval Complex (BNC) Superfund site in Bremerton, Washington. The EPA reviewed this report for technical adequacy, accuracy, and consistency with EPA guidance.

The report states that an overall protectiveness determination of the remedies for the BNC site cannot be made at this time and will be deferred until further information is obtained for OU A, OU B Terrestrial and OU B Marine. The EPA concurs with the findings in the report and the need to defer the overall protectiveness determination for the site. The EPA also concurs with the certification of protectiveness for the remedies implemented at OU NSC and OU D.

Following the collection and evaluation of the necessary additional information, the project team agrees that the protectiveness determinations will be made for the site as a whole and the individual OUs no later than December 31, 2015.

The EPA appreciates the Navy's efforts to complete this Five Year Review in collaboration with the EPA, Ecology and the Suquamish Tribe, and looks forward to continuing this good working relationship as we move forward with implementing the report's recommendations and follow-up actions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cami Grandinetti".

Cami Grandinetti
Remedial Program Manager
Office of Environmental Cleanup

